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**SUBJECT: Progress Report on Improving Intelligence
Activities Against**

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**REFERENCES: a. NSA Serial N 0247, 18 February 1965, Subject,
Status Report on Review of Intelligence
Activities**

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b. USIB-AM-65/2, 24 June 1965

1. This progress report is submitted in response to reference b.; it updates the information contained in reference a., which was provided to the Executive Secretary in accordance with the USIB charge of 18 November 1964 (USIB-AM-64/12, 20 November 1964).

2. Since reference a. was submitted, NSA has undertaken, continued or completed the following actions:

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a. The NSA Expansion Program which was about fifty percent complete at the time reference a. was submitted, now has been accomplished. As noted at paragraph 2.a. in reference a., the expansion program tele-scoped the programmed FY 65/66 build-up of resources mainland into FY-65, and identified compensatory reductions in areas of lower priority.

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(Progress of the Southeast Asia Expansion Program was reported to ASD, Dr. Fubini, and to the USIB aperiodically during the entire course of its implementation; the last of these reports is an enclosure to this report.)

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NSA Review Completed.

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USIB-S-29.22/20. 12 July 1965, LIMITED DISTRIBUTION, and was discussed at the USIB meeting of 5 August 1965; see USIB-M-397. 5 August 1965. Item 2)

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c. NSA is continuing the evaluation [redacted]

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[redacted] with a view to achieving necessary cover of essential targets; This will lead to our submission to the DoD of a Program Change Proposal (PCP), but the action has not reached a point at this juncture which will allow us to predict with certainty precisely what our recommendations finally will be; however, it is nearly certain that considerable increases will be requested in those resources [redacted]

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[redacted] Results of these tests will influence contingency planning [redacted]

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[redacted] but also will be of value in FCP or like considerations. The collection phase of this test should be completed in October, but the results and impact thereof will probably not be fully evaluated for some time.

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e. Diagnostic studies [redacted]

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[redacted] are continuing, and progress is being made. Efforts to obtain additional personnel with appropriate analytic skills also are continuing, in hopes that the studies' rate of progress can be increased. Improvements in intercept

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Posture constantly are being sought through such measures as the wave propagation study which was conducted to determine among existing facilities the best location [redacted]

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The evaluation of that study is now in progress. As soon as qualified personnel become available, efforts to determine the nature and exploitability [redacted]

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f. The NSA Directorate of Production was reorganized, effective 26 July 1963, elevating the entire organizational level of the Far East problem in order to give it increased emphasis within NSA.

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